FY 2009 Capital Budget TPS Report 47876

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)

Grant Recipient: Catholic Community Services Federal Tax ID: 92-0042651

Project Title:

Catholic Community Services - Angoon Senior Center Stove, Refrigerator and Freezer

State Funding Requested: \$ 20,000 House District: 5 - C

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Funding requested will replace the stove, refigerator, and freezer of the current senior center in Angoon.

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$20,000

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Catholic Community Services, through Southeast Senior Services, has administered the Angoon Senior Center program for more than 30 years. The Angoon Senior Center serves over 7,000 hot meals to Angoon's senior citizens each year.

The stove is old and has ovens that don't work. This forces the cook to only use burners to cook. The refrigerator is also old and the freezer does not work very well and doesn't have space to hold donations made by local residents. Further, the old equipment is not electrically efficient and uses a lot of power which, in turn, increases power costs.

The Center is also used to teach classes on how to be alcohol and drug free as well as to make Tlingit regalia. The new equipment will ensure that the Senior Center can continue to provide its much needed services to Angoon.

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Project Timeline:

Funding will be secured in the summer with purchases being made immediately.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Catholic Community Services

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Grant Recipient Contact Information:
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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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SOUTHEAST SENIOR SERVICES

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March 18, 2008

Senator Albert M. Kookesh State Capitol Room 11 Juneau, Alaska 99802

Dear Senator Kookesh:

Last year the Angoon Senior Center requested \$10,000 in items for the Angoon Senior Center kitchen. As you know, the funding for the Senior Center was vetoed. Since that time, the kitchen needs have increased, including a broken stove. The senior center staff now request \$15,000 to support the elder meal service.

Why is the purchase of the equipment so critical? The stove is old and defective, with ovens that don't work, requiring the cook to prepare the senior meals with just stove top burners. The refrigerator and freezer are also very old, with insufficient space to hold precious donations of fish for the elders to enjoy. The aging equipment also uses more electricity which, as you know, is very expensive in Angoon. I know that your staff members visited the Angoon Senior Center last spring and were very concerned with the potential health issues.

This one time funding request will go a long way in assisting the senior citizens of Angoon. The volunteer staff not only help feed the senior citizens of Angoon on a daily basis, but the Senior Center is also used to teach other residents who want to be alcohol and drug free, the art of Tlingit regalia making. The Senior citizens teach residents who want to be alcohol and drug free. This is another example of how the Senior Center has a positive effect on the community.

Please contact me at 463-6154 if you have any questions, or you can call Pauline Jim, the Senior Center Director in Angoon at 788-3804.

Sincerely,

Marianne Mills Program Director

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February 5, 2008

Senator Albert Kookesh State of Alaska Senate State Capitol, Room 11 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Re: Capital Appropriation Request

Dear Senator Kookesh:

Southeast Senior Services has administered the Angoon Senior Center Program for over 30 years. On behalf of Angoon's senior citizens who benefit from the congregate meals at the Senior Center as well as those who receive Meals on Wheels, we are requesting a capital allocation from your office in the amount of \$23,635.

The \$23,635 would provide the following much-needed items at the Angoon Senior Center:

- Stove repair or replacement (\$3,350)
- Food costs (\$8,000)
- Refrigeration (freezers and refridg.) (\$4,785)
- Commercial dishwasher (\$5,000)
- Copier/fax/printer and Kitchenware (\$2,500)

The Angoon Senior Center serves over 7,000 hot, nutritious meals to Angoon's senior citizens each year. There are two issues to address in Angoon. There is a serious lack of funding for the meals and rides program as well as a lack of adequate equipment. Food and fuel costs have risen steeply in the past three years while funding has either remained flat or decreased in the same time period.

The center is operating without any ovens and just two of the stove top burners, a broken dishwasher, and an acute lack of freezing and cooling space. The appliances are to be the lowest possible energy consumers as possible due to the high cost of electricity in Angoon. The need of new equipment is clear and urgent. However, if there are insufficient funds for the whole request, the food funds are the highest priority.

Thank you so much for your consideration of this capital request. Please feel free to call me at 463-6154 if you need have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Marianne Mills Program Manager